

Kathie Green Biography

As a Fort Wayne resident since 2000, Kathie Green began actively participating in her children's schools as a PTA volunteer upon moving to the area. She reentered the workforce in 2005 as an Administrative Assistant for the Fort Wayne Chamber of Commerce Government and Community Affairs Department directly as a result of the skill set she learned through PTA. While at the Fort Wayne Chamber of Commerce in 2007, she was named as the 2nd Place honoree for Time Services Administrative Professional of the Year. In June of 2007, Kathie became the Constituent Liaison for Congressman Mark Souder working on issues concerning immigration, refugees, international travel and Embassies, adoptions, Medicare, foreclosures and other social service areas as needed. Congressman Souder and his staff nominated Kathie for the Fort Wayne Chamber of Commerce Athena Award that recognizes women for professional excellence, community service and for actively assisting women in their attainment of professional excellence and leadership skills. Kathie was named as the Director of Constituent Services for Congressman Marlin Stutzman in November 2010. Kathie loves her job with Congressman Stutzman and feels he empowers her to do her best to help constituents in whatever way she can. Every day brings a new challenge and an opportunity to help people in the 3rd district!

Kathie served on the Indiana PTA Board of Managers as the PR/Marketing Chairperson from 2008-2010 and returned for another term 2011-2013. As the PR/Marketing chair, Kathie oversaw the implementation of a statewide communications system (the weekly Indiana PTA Good News), the complete overhaul of the website (twice), and the development of social networking tools such as Facebook. In 2012, Kathie was appointed as the Indiana PTA Northeast Region Vice President. She is actively involved on the Legislative and Convention Committees and the Member Services Commission for Indiana PTA. Kathie is currently the co-president for Northrop High School PTSA and the President of the Fort Wayne Area PTA council working with 49 PTA's in the Fort Wayne area. Kathie previously served the Fort Wayne Area PTA Council as Reflections/Citizenship Chairperson. Kathie also has served as the President of the Shawnee Middle School PTSA which grew 442% in membership in just two years. Kathie was Chairperson for the 50th Anniversary Gala Founder's Day Dinner for the Fort Wayne Area PTA Council in 2010. In 2007 and 2008, Kathie was the President of Northrop High School PTSA as it was named the Indiana PTA Outstanding Unit two years in a row. Kathie truly feels that bringing in new leaders to the schools and mentoring them in how to lead in a professional manner can change the very climate in a school and helps students and staff alike. In 2011, Indiana PTA awarded Kathie with the first ever Beverly Zawadski Advocacy Award in recognition of her efforts as a servant leader, a strong advocate, and a mighty voice for all children.

Parenting Magazine selected Kathie as the Indiana delegate to Mom Congress in May 2012. A total of fifty-one delegates, representing each state and the District of Columbia, were selected by *Parenting* from a record-setting number of applications submitted through Parenting.com. Each delegate received an all-expense-paid trip to D.C. for the event, where they had the opportunity to connect with national leaders in education, *Parenting* editors, and past Mom Congress delegates to exchange ideas on how to improve our nation's schools.

Kathie has been a former Study Connection tutor, a former member of the Quality Improvement Teams at Northrop High School and Holland Elementary School, a parent representative on a FWCS Middle School Principal Interview team, and a FWCS Key Communicator for several years. She has also captained a team for the American Cancer Society Making Strides for Breast Cancer Walk and sponsors a PTA Convention scholarship in memory of her friend, Dawn Bearman, who passed away at 32 years of age from breast cancer.

Kathie has been married to Mike for 26 years and has four children and three grandchildren. Mike is the Public Information Director for the Allen County Commissioners. Kathie also runs a small crafting business "Kathie's Kreations" during the holiday season selling embossed notecards.